

ARMY HAS SCHEME TO SEIZE BERGDOLL

Department of Justice Has Plan That Is Regarded as 'Fool Proof.'

IT SUCCEEDED BEFORE

If Proposal Is Ratified, It Is Asserted Slacker Will Surely Be Captured.

WILL NOT GIVE DETAILS

Status of Deserter Complicated by Government's Action in Taking Property.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., May 28.

A definite and guaranteed plan for the capture of G. C. Bergdoll, draft dodger, fugitive from justice and alien enemy, has been placed before the Military Intelligence branch of the army.

The plan—or perhaps scheme—is no wild amateur detective stunt. It has official guise and official backing. In fact the Department of Justice, it is known, has outlined a programme to the military officers that is regarded as fool proof. It worked successfully in one noted case, the capture of Capt. Faye, German agent, sought under the espionage act during the war for his plotting and destructive activity in the United States.

Because of the official courtesy that prevails, the Military Intelligence Service must act. Bergdoll is regarded as in the province of, or the peculiar property of this service. Nevertheless, the Department of Justice has kept track of Bergdoll. On each of his escapes he was located by this department which was reported to the War Department. When he was located near Cologne, the Department of Justice again reported him to the Military Intelligence Service. His attempted capture, however, turned into a farce.

Military officials are not inclined to talk about the matter, but it is known they have a definite proposal which the Department of Justice is willing to undertake if authorized to do so.

Bergdoll's status apparently is tremendously complicated by the latest Government action in seizing his property on the score that he is an alien enemy. The laws provide that no man can expatriate himself during a war. Bergdoll is beyond any question an American citizen. He is being sought as a deserter and a fugitive from justice for failing to go into the army as an American citizen.

In spite of the seeming legal conflict officials here declare they can make every count stand. The alien enemy act permits seizure of the property of an American living in an enemy country and they say the status of Bergdoll as a fugitive is clear and he cannot escape responsibility.

Consideration is being given to the possibility of extraditing Bergdoll under some of the old treaties when peace is restored.

BERGDOLL DUE TO LOSE

FULLY \$40,000 A YEAR

Slacker's Investments Stop Interest on Being Seized.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

PHILADELPHIA, May 28.—Continued search for G. C. Bergdoll, the nation's most wanted man, has been intensified and it is probable the total will go above the \$1,000,000 mark. Most of the collateral spread was in mortgages held on properties throughout the city.

Another feature that developed is that all the slacker's capital now loses its earning power. Under the Trading With the Enemy act, the Alien Property Custodian has power to sell any or all of the real estate seized. The money derived goes into the United States Treasury, as does all money contained in bank accounts.

If the property is returned to Bergdoll, and that can be only through action of Congress on the department of State, the money goes to him out of the United States Treasury without any interest. Placing the return rate at the low figure of 4 per cent, \$40,000 a year would be lost on the property the Government officials expect to seize before they are finished.

NEW CLUE OF NO VALUE

IN CONESTOGA MYSTERY

Navy Trouser Found at Camp Marked 'J. H. Patterson.'

WASHINGTON, May 28.—A report from Admiral Rodman, commanding the Pacific Fleet, of the finding of a pair of navy blue trousers in what appeared to be an abandoned camp near the old Mexican barracks on Guadalupe Island, and which, it was thought, might possibly have belonged to one of the men on the missing naval ship Conestoga, was received at the Navy Department today.

The report said the trousers were marked "J. H. Patterson," but that they failed to show trace of a man by that name.

The search for the Conestoga, which sailed from Mare Island for Pearl Harbor March 25 and which has not been heard from since, is being carried on by forty-three vessels and twelve aircraft, the department stated. More than two score officers and men were aboard the vessel.

LEGATION SECRETARIES MOVE.

Transferred From Washington to Foreign Posts.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Transfer to foreign posts of five secretaries of legation who have been on duty in Washington were announced today by the State Department.

G. Howard Shaw, who has been serving as an assistant to the Secretary of State, has been ordered to report to the American High Commission at Constantinople.

Others moved out of the Department are John Campbell White, to the Legation at Caracas; William Whiting Andrews, to the American Agency and Consulate General, Cairo; Harold L. Williams, to the Legation at Warsaw; and Foster Stearns, to the High Commission at Constantinople.

BORAH SEES HOUSE SCHEME TO KILL DISARMAMENT PLAN

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., May 28.

If House leaders carry out their plan to include armies as well as navies in the Borah disarmament resolution, which has been added by the Senate to the naval appropriation bill, then it is probable that not only the disarmament provision will fail but that the naval bill will be held up indefinitely in the Senate by another filibuster.

It is recognized that on account of the condition in Europe and elsewhere the other great Powers probably would not give favorable consideration at this time to reduction of their armies and it is believed, therefore, that the whole scheme would be discredited.

Senator Borah (Idaho) and other Senators who have taken the lead in favor of naval disarmament negotiations by the United States, Great Britain and Japan see in the House scheme a move to kill the whole disarmament project.

There have been intimations that President Harding has given his consent to the House plan, but in view of his favorable attitude toward the Borah amendment in the Senate it is not believed the President wants the naval bill burdened with the army proposal. The solution of the question may be an agreement of Senate and House leaders to consider the whole question in a separate resolution, but this will be fought by the Senate disarmament leaders.

TARIFF SCHEDULES MIDSHIPMEN FAILED SPLIT HOUSE G. O. P. AFTER EASIER TESTS

Chemicals, Cotton, Wool and Silks Arouse Sectional and Other Views.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee, preparing a final draft of the general tariff bill, were said tonight to be at odds over four important schedules in the new measure. What was described as an open split has occurred in the writing of schedules for chemicals, cotton, wool and silks.

Despite the lack of agreement on these schedules and the fact that some others have passed only the subcommittee stage, Chairman Fordney held to his prediction of June 10 as the date of introduction. Some members of the committee, however, declared the House would not receive the measure short of June 20.

The chemical schedule, it was said, has resulted in a continuation of the fight originating in the Senate against the further use of restrictions, other than by tariff rates, on the importations of dyestuffs. Mr. Fordney is reported to have announced his vigorous opposition in the committee to any plan favoring of an embargo, although he was willing to allow the application of high rates.

The chemical provisions, it was understood, have been put at the bottom of the list of schedules awaiting consideration. No indication was given when they would be taken up again, and but few members were said to feel that the mere passing over of the provisions would eliminate the sore spots already caused.

Neither the subcommittee nor the full Republican membership has succeeded in establishing basic rates on the silk schedule, while sectional views were said to have been reflected in the attempt to fix rates on cotton and its products. The New England element in the committee was said to be fighting against the rates on cotton products, contending that they were disproportionate to the rates on the raw product.

Few members were willing to talk of the wool schedule, but it was learned that the division on wool rates centered around the same problem as those on cotton—disparity between the rates on the raw and manufactured product. Sub-committee drafts of the schedules on earthenware, paper, sundries and minerals are understood to have been accepted by the majority members of the committee.

A formal call for a caucus of House Republicans Wednesday went out today. The conference will attempt to determine a party policy on the resolution of Representative Longworth of Ohio, which would make tariff duties carried by the general bill effective upon the date of introduction in the House. Representative Young of North Dakota, the only Republican member of the Ways and Means Committee to oppose the plan, announced today he would carry his fight against it to the caucus, and declared he had assurance of strong support.

FEARS ALIENS AT SEA

ALREADY EXCEED QUOTA

Immigration Commissioner Reports Rush Has Started.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The number of immigrants who will be allowed to enter this country under the new 3 per cent law during June was announced for some of the countries to-night by Commissioner-General Hubbard as follows:

United Kingdom..... 5,928
New Zealand..... 1,891
Sweden..... 433
Denmark..... 433
Netherlands..... 319
Belgium..... 319
France..... 437
Switzerland..... 287
Germany..... 521
Italy..... 22
Poland..... 22
Austria..... 9

The law will become operative June 3. The list, which was prepared by the joint committee from the departments of State, Labor and Commerce, is not complete. Mr. Hubbard said, while at the same time he expressed fears lest there would be some trouble as a result of the present rush of immigrants who are endeavoring to reach this country before being barred by the law. There is danger, he said, that more than the quota for June already is on the way.

Beginning July 1 with the fiscal year 20 per cent of each country's quota will be allowed to enter each month.

3,000 SEEK CITIZENSHIP.

Three thousand Germans and Austrians whose applications for citizenship have been pending since before the war are to be examined by Francis Martin, Supreme Court Justice in the Bronx, this week. Deputy Clerk Griffin and Daly have been assigned to assist at the examinations, and a special squad of police reserves will be on duty at the court during the week.

COMMITTEE RUNS CONCERN.

Takes Charge of Gorton Fishery Company.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

GLoucester, Mass., May 28.—Announcement that the Gorton Fishery Company of this city had been placed in the hands of a committee, consisting of G. F. Mills, a Boston banker; Stuart W. Webb of Boston, an efficiency specialist; and Thomas J. Carroll, who has been general manager of the company, was made today.

The company is said to be the largest producer of salt fish in the country.

"DRY" ENFORCEMENT TO BE REORGANIZED

Revenue Department to Try to Stop All Inefficiency and Waste.

TO SHIFT PERSONNEL

Revision and Simplification of Regulations to Be One of Main Tasks.

KRAMER WILL NOT STAY

Penrose and Blair Soon to Confer on Plans to Cut Costs and Make Law Effective.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., May 28.

A complete reorganization of the prohibition enforcement forces of the United States both as to personnel and methods is to be immediately undertaken by Internal Revenue Commissioner Blair. Work on this reorganization already is under way. Three definite aims are in view:

1. The stoppage of inefficiency and waste.
2. Revision and simplification of regulations and the permit system to bring more direct action.
3. A general shift and tightening up of personnel.

Commissioner Kramer is not to stay on the job under the new regime. He will remain until his successor is appointed, having given assurance to that effect to Commissioner Blair today. An early appointment will be made of a new supervising agent in New York to succeed Ernest Langley.

Immediately after he was sworn in yesterday Commissioner Blair accompanied Secretary of the Treasury Mellon to the White House to discuss prohibition matters. The conference touched on the questions of a director, a general supervising agent in New York and a supervising agent in Philadelphia.

This afternoon Commissioner Blair had a long conference with Mr. Kramer, at which he outlined to the latter his ideas in regard to prohibition enforcement. He received the new beer and whiskey regulations and other matters that are pending.

Action on the beer regulations will be delayed, Mr. Blair said, until he has opportunity to study them. They provide for the issuance of prescriptions for beer as a medicinal preparation, in accordance with Attorney-General Palmer's ruling. Issuance of the whiskey regulations taking the limit from the number of prescriptions a physician may write in a given period will also be held up for study.

Commissioner Blair, it was learned, will hold a conference soon with Chairman Penrose of the Finance Committee of the Senate on reorganization plans. Senator Penrose is convinced that the present system is inefficient and wasteful. It should not, he believes, be so costly to the taxpayers and he wishes to go over the entire situation with the new Commissioner. The conference probably will take up the question of appointments. Charles Swope of Pennsylvania, former private secretary to Senator Penrose, has been prominently mentioned to succeed Commissioner Kramer. The Newton Fairbanks of Ohio also has been considered.

Commissioner Kramer appeared before the Finance Committee today to urge passage by the Senate of the deficiency appropriation of \$200,000 put in the general deficiency bill by the House when it became necessary to furnish nearly \$600 enforcement officers because of lack of funds. Commissioner Kramer outlined the needs of the appropriation and reviewed the disastrous effects of the layoff. There is little doubt that the item will be carried in the bill as it is reported to the Senate and it is expected to pass that body. Meantime, however, the furloughed men are scattering to new jobs.

PROVINCIAL COLLEGES DEPLORED BY HADLEY

Argues for Change to Halt Growing Sectionalism.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Sectional antagonisms can be obliterated to a large extent if universities become national in scope and do not represent the provincial viewpoint of a single district, church or class of society, Dr. Arthur T. Hadley, president of Yale, declared here tonight at the annual banquet of the Associated Southern Yale Clubs.

"It is true," said Dr. Hadley, "that the United States has not developed such fierce international antagonisms as Germany did, but we have within our own borders possibilities of conflict which are just as fundamental and which may prove just as serious. We have class antagonisms whose most hopeless feature is that they are based on class misunderstandings."

Declaring Southerners show a sympathy which is not only broad but instinctive, the speaker asserted that the country looks to the South to see that it does not get Prussianized. The new South, he continued, needs to cherish as her best position the things she has inherited from the old South.

WAIVES BOND THEFT HEARING.

Munoz Suspected of \$1,000,000 Liberty Looting in West.

PETERS, S. D., May 28.—A man who registered as Albert Munoz of Wilmington, Ind., arrested at Harrold, S. D., last Tuesday, charged with being implicated in a \$1,000,000 Liberty bond theft at Toledo, Ohio, last February, waived preliminary hearing in the United States Court here today.

Munoz at once started for Sioux Falls in custody of a United States Marshal.

SHIP WITH 60 PICKED UP.

NORFOLK, Va., May 28.—Forty-five days from Cape Verde with sixty-nine passengers and out of provisions, the American Schooner Senator, bound for her home port, New Bedford, was picked up yesterday about 300 miles east of Cape Henry by the coast guard cutter Manning. The schooner appeared in ill-dress when overtaken by the cutter, which went to her aid.

BISHOP LAWRENCE TO REST.

Boston, May 28.—Bishop William Lawrence of the Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts announced today his withdrawal from official duties until the last of October. Failure to recover his strength after two major operations two years ago and his need for a complete rest were given as reasons in a letter sent to the clergy in his diocese.

NAVY AVIATOR KILLED.

RAN DROWN, May 28.—Lieut. George T. Roe of Boston, navy aviator, was killed and Chief Machinist's Mate James P. Dudley of Virginia was seriously injured when the airplane in which they were flying fell 800 feet and struck on North Island today.

TROUSERS WRECK HOME.

It All Began When Husband Asked Wife to Mend Them.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

CHICAGO, May 28.—Here's the story of a pair fractured trousers that broke up a happy home. Mrs. Clarice Pease told today in Judge Oscar Terrell's room of the Circuit Court. She got a decree from the owner of the garment—Ira Pease, a commission merchant—on grounds of cruelty.

It was like this, according to the evidence. On October 4, 1920, Ira came home. His trousers were torn. He said he had met an accident. He asked Clarice to mend them. Ira had taken "on off" He began swinging them. They caught on a gas fixture. The fixture came down. It struck him on the head. Gas began to pour from the broken pipe. Mrs. Pease's mother and father and brother arrived on an S. O. S. call. One of them summoned a policeman, as then Mrs. Pease had vanished. Mrs. Pease said she never came back to claim his trousers.

EMBASSY TURNS TO CRICKET.

British Attaches to Play Darby Club of Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Diplomatic problems will be cast aside to-morrow by attaches of the British Embassy. Headed by Henry Getty Chilton, the Embassy counselor, they will attempt to uphold their nation's honor on the cricket field in a game with the Darby Cricket Club of Philadelphia.

In addition to Counselor Chilton, the British players will include Air Commodore Charlton, Commercial Counselor Broderick, Sir Arthur Willert, Capt. U. F. Harker and Messrs. Baker, Peterson, Tennant, Goodhart, Branch and Cannon.

ASSAULTS DRY CHIEF FOR K. OF C. ATTACK

Hazleton Resents Anderson's Mention of Religion in Note to President.

Municipal Court Justice Edgar E. Hazleton, who is sitting in the Fourth District Court at Jamaica, refused yesterday to affirm or deny that he is slated for the office of supervising prohibition enforcement agent for the State of New York, to succeed Ernest L. Langley, the incumbent.

Justice Hazleton said that he is probably the man referred to by William H. Anderson, State superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, who said there was a movement on foot to name as enforcement agent a "man who is a bosom friend and fellow member of the same local Knights of Columbus organization as a former agent, under whose administration Federal enforcement was a scandal in New York city and State."

Mr. Anderson also sent a letter to President Harding requesting that special care be exercised in the appointment of Mr. Langley's successor, asserting that "the enforcement of Federal prohibition in New York City has been a notorious scandal and is now far below State enforcement in efficiency."

Mr. Anderson in a statement said that the position sought is the one once occupied by James Shevlin, whose home formerly was in Hollis before he was transferred to look after bootlegging along the Mexican border.

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MANY SEEK JOBS IN U.S. BUDGET BUREAU

Harding's Determination to Approve Measure Starts Candidates to Action.

IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1

Senator McCormick Backs O. H. Wright (Ill.) for Director at \$10,000.

SHIELDS FOR NEXT PLACE

Signing of Bill to Mark New Era in Governmental Appropriations System.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., May 28.

President Harding is expected to sign the budget bill within the next week, and by that act will become heir to a new set of patronage problems. Already indorsements in favor of aspirants for the more important places are pouring in, principal of which are the Director of the Budget with a salary of \$10,000 a year, his assistant at \$7,500, the Comptroller-General at \$10,000 and his assistant at \$7,500.

Senator McCormick (Ill.), author of the Senate bill, has indorsed Omar H. Wright, present Director of Finance in Illinois, which has a budget system, for Director of the Budget, and Elsie Hanson, former newspaper man and now McCormick's secretary, as assistant director. Hanson also has strong indorsements from Charles D. Freeman, chairman of the National Budget Committee of New York, and from Representative Good (Iowa), author of the House budget bill.

Mark Shields, long clerk of the Appropriations Committee of the House, and a recognized authority on Government finances, is a strong contender for appointment as Comptroller General, having plentiful backing in Congress. J.

Another highly important change is the establishment of a uniform system of accounting for all executive departments. It will be the first task of the Comptroller-General to inaugurate this reform. The Comptroller-General will be the final arbiter on the legality of all appropriations and all expenditures, a power expected to be a severe check on the present bad practice of submitting deficiency estimates.

There is now nearly \$500,000,000 of deficiency estimates, it was stated recently in the Senate by Senator Warren (Wyo.), for which Congress must provide.

The Comptroller-General also is empowered to report on the value of services performed by the various branches of the Government, estimate their worth in proportion to their cost and make recommendations accordingly.

STABILIZED DOLLAR

SOUGHT BY LEAGUE

Experts Discuss Plan for Non-Fluctuating Currency.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Organization of the Stable Money League, designed to foster interest and promote establishment of a system of preventing fluctuations in the buying power of the dollar, was completed here today by financial

R. McCarl of McCook, Neb., an organizer of the Republican Congress Committee, has been recommended to the President by Representative Foss (Ohio), chairman, and others on the committee. Another aspirant is the present Comptroller of the Treasury.

The bill is effective July 1, and marks a new era in the whole scheme of Government financing. Before any estimates are sent to Congress they will be approved by the President after full conference with his Cabinet officers.

At this conference the complete budget must be decided upon and then allocated to the departments according to their needs, which are to be presented to the conference by the Director of the Budget. The latter is in the Treasury Department, but must administer his office under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the President. The President is the final judge of all disputes arising over departmental estimates if they cannot be settled by the Director.

This system of arriving at estimates is expected to be a vast improvement over the present method of hearings before Congress committees and methods of procuring estimates. It is said of voluntary appearance before the House and Senate committees of advocates for large appropriations. They will appear only when requested by the committees to furnish information.

Submission of estimates will be accompanied by a detailed statement of government resources, together with a Presidential recommendation for methods of raising more money in case of deficits. The President's methods of disposing of the surplus, should the report indicate one.

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